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Towards the end of June, 1937 the "Russian Annals", a bi-monthly literary, scientific and political journal in the Russian language, made its first appearance in Shanghai. Enquiries show that this journal is the continuation of the "Contemporary Annals" which was published in Paris for about 16 years, but ceased to appear recently owing to financial difficulties.

Upon the initiative of a group of Russian residents in Shanghai it was decided to resume the publication of the extinct journal under the name of the "Russian Annals" at Shanghai, where printing expenses are considerably lower. The old Board of Editors in Paris, which includes several persons well known in the Russian literary world abroad, will continue to function, while Mr. W.W. Fruhauf, Russian, residing at 421 Avenue du Roi Albert, assumed the duty of the responsible editor in Shanghai.

The Shanghai group offered their cooperation and financial assistance on the condition that the journal should devote a certain amount of space to problems of the Far East. This idea was welcomed by the Board of Editors in Paris. Moreover, their aim is to secure a similar cooperation of Russian emigres throughout the world and thus to make the journal their central organ.

In an editorial preface to the first issue it is stated that the journal in question will follow the traditions of the "Contemporary Annals", which was recognized one of the best Russian publications abroad. Its political physiognomy is described in the following terms:-

"In political matters we refuse to side with any of the existing political factions. We do not defend the programme of any particular political party, but we wish to be faith-



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ful to certain basic principles and at the same time we recognize full freedom of research work directed towards the realization of these principles. To Russian intelligentzia these principles mean, of course, their traditional service to the cause of freedom and truth. While the social expression of these basic principles may vary, their inspiring idea always remains indisputable: individual freedom and free social solidarity. To defend these principles at present when they are continually disregarded and violated, becomes our duty. With great attention we follow various efforts directed towards the creation of new social forms and we endeavour to participate in these efforts. Our interests are not confined to those of Russian emigres only. Our eyes are open to what is happening in Russia and in the rest of the world. We wish to devote to Russia all our activities and to defend her against all external forces that are hostile to her. We welcome all that is good in Russia, we endeavour to look in the face of real Russia through the mist of official falsehood and oppression of the present regime. We are with the Russian people who is suffering under the communist yoke; we are with the Russian intelligentzia, both old and new, who courageously builds up the Russian national culture. Russia's hangmen, however, will find in us their most irreconcilable enemies. Our will and our hope are in the service to the cause of the liberation of our Motherland".

It is reported that altogether 1,100 copies of the first issue of the "Russian Annals" were printed by the Comacrib Press, 118 Museum Road. Of these number one half is intended for distribution in the Far East and America, while the remaining part will be sent to Paris.

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**RUSSIAN ANNALS.**

**118, ANNALS de Versailles, Paris (FR)**

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**Shanghai, 6-10 May, 1937.**

**Secretary,  
Shanghai Municipal Council,  
Shanghai.**

**Dear Sir,**

We beg to inform you that beginning from JUNE, 1937,  
we shall publish a bi-monthly review under the name of -  
"RUSSIAN ANNALS" ("Russkiye Zapiski").

The office of our Review is at 118 Moscow Road, Shanghai,  
(c/o. Comarib Press). The Review will be printed in the Comarib  
Press.

We further beg to add that our journal will maintain  
close co-operation with the Russian review - "Russkiye Contemporaines"  
published in Paris since 1922, and will conserve the traditions  
of the latter, viz.: impartiality, national and democratic stand-  
points.

Mr. V.M. Fokanov will assume the duty of editor of our  
Review.

**Yours faithfully,**

**RUSSIAN ANNALS.**

**Shanghai (Russia).**

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Шанхай, 30 апрѣля 1937 года

М. Г.

В серединѣ іюня с.г. Издательство "Русскія Записки" выпускает первую книжку своего журнала того же названія.

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